

### **Amendments to the Claims:**

Please amend claims 1-3, 7-11, 14 and 16, cancel claims 6, 12, 13 and 15 and add claims 18-24 as shown in the following listing of claims. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) An antenna configuration which has a first antenna arm and a second antenna ~~arm~~ arm, wherein each of the two antenna arms is made of electrically conductive material and has a first end and a second end and has a longitudinal direction which runs from the first end to the second ~~end~~ end, ~~and~~ wherein the two first ends are arranged at a first distance from one another and adjacent to one another and are in each case intended and designed for electrically conductive connection to a terminal of a signal sink or ~~of a signal source~~ source, ~~and~~ wherein the two second ends are arranged at a second distance from one another ~~and remote~~ and remote from one another, said second distance being greater than the first distance, and wherein ~~the~~ the two longitudinal directions of the two antenna arms enclose an acute opening angle ( $\alpha$ ) with one another, and wherein the acute opening angle ( $\alpha$ ) has a value of between ~~15° and 90°~~ 15° and 90°, wherein at least one coupling web is provided in order to electromagnetically couple the two antenna arms, wherein the coupling web is made of electrically conductive material and extends at least over a region lying between the two antenna arms and is electrically isolated from the two antenna arms, the antenna configuration satisfying at least one of:

\_\_\_\_\_ (a) wherein the at least one coupling web has the form of a wide plate,

\_\_\_\_\_ (b) wherein the at least one coupling web extends over the region lying between the two antenna arms and beyond the two antenna arms, and

\_\_\_\_\_ (c) wherein the two antenna arms, with respect to a substrate for the two antenna arms, are provided together on a first side surface of the substrate and wherein the at least one coupling web is provided on the opposite, second side surface of the substrate.

2. (currently amended) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 1, wherein the acute opening angle ~~(a)~~ has a value of between ~~25° and 45°~~ 25° and 45°.

3. (currently amended) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 2, wherein the acute opening angle ~~(a)~~ has a value of ~~30° ± 10%~~ 30° ± 10%.

4. (previously presented) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 1, wherein the two antenna arms are designed to run in a straight line.

5. (previously presented) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 1, wherein the two antenna arms are designed to run in a meandering manner.

6. (canceled)

7. (currently amended) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim ~~6~~ 1, wherein the at least one coupling web is arranged to run transversely to the angle half-line of the acute opening angle ~~(a)~~ between the longitudinal directions of the two antenna ~~arms~~ arms.

8. (currently amended) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 7, wherein the at least one coupling web is arranged to run perpendicular to the angle half-line of the acute opening angle ~~(a)~~ between the longitudinal directions of the two antenna ~~arms~~ arms.

9. (currently amended) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim ~~6~~ 1, wherein a number of coupling webs are provided, which coupling webs have increasing lengths as the distance from the first ends of the two antenna arms increases.

10. (currently amended) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim ~~6~~ 1, wherein the at least one coupling web is designed to run in a straight line.

11. (currently amended) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim-~~6~~ 1, wherein the at least one coupling web has the form of a narrow strip.

12. (canceled)

13. (canceled)

14. (currently amended) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 1, wherein the two antenna-~~arms~~ arms, with respect to a substrate for the two antenna-~~arms~~ arms, are provided on opposite side surfaces of the-~~substrate~~ substrate.

15. (canceled)

16. (currently amended) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 1, wherein the antenna configuration is intended and designed for use in a contactless data carrier for contactless communication with a communication station, which data carrier contains an IC and the antenna-~~configuration~~ configuration.

17. (previously presented) A data carrier for contactless communication with a communication station, characterized in that the data carrier is provided with an antenna configuration as claimed in claim 1.

18. (new) An antenna configuration which has a first antenna arm and a second antenna arm, wherein each of the two antenna arms is made of electrically conductive material and has a first end and a second end and has a longitudinal direction which runs from the first end to the second end, wherein the two first ends are arranged at a first distance from one another and adjacent to one another and are in each case intended and designed for electrically conductive connection to a terminal of a signal sink or a signal source, wherein the two second ends are arranged at a second distance from one another and remote from one another, said second distance being greater than the first distance, and wherein the two longitudinal directions of the two antenna arms enclose an acute opening

angle with one another, and wherein the acute opening angle has a value of between  $15^{\circ}$  and  $90^{\circ}$ , wherein the two antenna arms, with respect to a substrate for the two antenna arms, are provided on opposite side surfaces of the substrate.

19. (new) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 18, wherein the acute opening angle has a value of between  $25^{\circ}$  and  $45^{\circ}$ .

20. (new) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 19, wherein the acute opening angle has a value of  $30^{\circ} \pm 10\%$ .

21. (new) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 18, wherein the two antenna arms are designed to run in a straight line.

22. (new) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 18, wherein the two antenna arms are designed to run in a meandering manner.

23. (new) An antenna configuration which has a first antenna arm and a second antenna arm, wherein each of the two antenna arms is made of electrically conductive material and has a first end and a second end and has a longitudinal direction which runs from the first end to the second end, wherein the two first ends are arranged at a first distance from one another and adjacent to one another and are in each case intended and designed for electrically conductive connection to a terminal of a signal sink or a signal source, wherein the two second ends are arranged at a second distance from one another and remote from one another, said second distance being greater than the first distance, and wherein the two longitudinal directions of the two antenna arms enclose an acute opening angle with one another, and wherein the acute opening angle has a value of  $30^{\circ} \pm 10\%$ .

24. (new) An antenna configuration as claimed in claim 23, wherein the two antenna arms are designed to run in a straight line.